(a) whether it is a fact that India's river water resources amount to 417 MAF and that of Punjab only 33 MAF, if not, what are the actuals; and

(b) whether it is a fact that 60 per cent of Punjab water is being given to neighbouring States of Haryana and Rajasthan; if not, what are the exact figures?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) The total surface water resources of India are around 1876 Billion Cubic Metres (BCM) (1521 MAF). In regard to Punjab and other states of the Indus Basin, as per provisions of Indus Waters Treaty of 1960 signed by India and Pakistan, water resources of the 3 Eastern Rivers namely the Ravi, the Beas and the Sutlej are to be fully utilised by India. The total water availability of these three rivers is around 40.5 BCM (32.8 MAF) as assessed at the time of the signing of the Treaty. As per revised assessment the present availability has been worked out as 42.4 BCM (34.4 MAF).

(b) As per the Agreement of 13-1-1959 between erstwhile Punjab and Rajasthan regarding Bhakra Nangal Project and the agreement regarding allocation of surplus flows of rivers Ravi and Beas of 31-12-81 signed by Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan, the shares of Rajasthan and Haryana out of the total water resources of the Eastern Rivers are around 13.8 BCM (11.2 MAF) and 9.7 BCM (7.9 MAF) respectively.

बाढ़ से प्रभावित क्षेत्रों में राहत के लिए उत्तर प्रदेश को सहायता

2403. श्री राम सरेखा यादव : क्या जल संसाधन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि बाढ़ से प्रभावित क्षेत्रों में राहत प्रदान करने के लिए उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार को केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा कितनी सहायता-राशि की संस्तुति की गई है?

शहरी विकास मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और जल संसाधन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री का अतिरिक्त प्रभार (श्री पी. के. थुंगन) : चालू वर्ष (1993-94) के दौरान कोई राहत निर्मुक्त नहीं की गयी है। तथापि, उत्तर प्रदेश में भूकम्प और बाढ़ों के कारण पिछले वर्ष में की राहत प्रदान करने के लिए वर्ष 1993-94 की पहली और दूसरी किस्तों के लिए केन्द्रीय हिस्से की अग्रिम किस्तों के रूप में 26.64 करोड़ रुपए की राशि निर्मुक्त की गयी थी।

Discussion with Government of Bangladesh on Ganga Water Sharing

2404. SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any discussions were held recently with the Government of Bangladesh regarding the sharing of Ganga Water;

(b) if so, what are the major differences involved in the State;

(c) what is the outcome of the talks held with Bangladesh to sort out the differences involved;

(d) whether talks to resolve the issue have also been held at the political level; and

(e) if so, when and with what result?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) to (e) The talks on sharing of Ganga Waters were held at Prime Ministers' level in May, 1992, wherein it was decided to work for an equitable, long-term and comprehensive arrangement for sharing the flows of Ganga and other major rivers. As a follow up, a Joint Committee of Experts was constituted for working out an acceptable settlement. The Joint Committee of Experts last met at Dhaka in March, 1993 and held in-depth discussions. Bangladesh wants to have short-term sharing arrangement only for Ganga, whereas the agreement is for an equitable, long-term and comprehensive sharing of the river waters.

सरदार सरोवर परियोजना को पूरा किया जाना

@ 2405. श्री कैलाश नारायण सारंग : क्या जल संसाधन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सरदार सरोवर अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय जल-विद्युत परियोजना का कार्य कब तक पूरा हो जाने की संभावना है; और

(ख) इस परियोजना से कितनी बिजली का उत्पादन होने की संभावना है और उसमें से कितनी बिजली मध्य प्रदेश को दी जायेगी?

शहरी विकास मंत्रालय में राज्यमंत्री और जल संसाधन मंत्रालय में राज्यमंत्री का अतिरिक्त प्रभार (श्री पी. के. थुंगन) : (क) दिसम्बर, 1999 में निर्धारित किए

@ पूर्वतः अतारांकित प्रश्न 2035, 10 अगस्त, 1993 से स्थानान्तरित।

गए सरदार सरोवर परियोजना के निर्माण कार्यक्रम के अनुसार सरदार सरोवर परियोजना के चरण—III (जल-विद्युत घटक) के नदी तल विद्युत घर का कार्य वर्ष 1998-99 तक तथा नहर मुख्य विद्युत घर का कार्य वर्ष 1995-96 तक पूरा हो जाने की संभावना है ।

(छ) इस परियोजना की कुल स्थापित क्षमता 1450 मेगावाट है जिसमें से मध्य प्रदेश का हिस्सा 57 प्रतिशत अर्थात् 826.50 मेगावाट है ।

Setting up a Private Agency to Manage Water Resources

2406. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to set up a private Central development agency to manage water resources in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) to (c) There is no proposal under consideration for setting up a private Central Development agency to manage water resources in the country which is capital intensive.

Tank Irrigation

2407. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to develop and improve tank irrigation in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) to (c) Ministry of Water Resources does not have any proposal to operate a scheme for development and improvement of tank irrigation in the country. Minor Irrigation Schemes are planned, funded and implemented by the State Governments from their own resources. However, project proposals for improvement/modernisation of tank irrigation systems received from States are posed to External aiding agencies for providing assistance. A project for modernisation of 230 tanks irrigation systems (Phase-II) in Tamilnadu at an estimated cost of Rs. 53.12 crores with EEC assistance is under implementation. Another project for modernisation of 459 tanks is also under implementation in Kerala with EEC assistance at an estimated cost of about Rs. 40 crores.

Cost and Time Overrun in Irrigation

2408. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that cost and time overrun is a bane of the irrigation sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what steps are taken to overcome this situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) and (b) Out of 103 major, 165 medium and 20 extension/renovation/modernisation (ERM) Irrigation projects approved by the Planning Commission, 92 major, 159 medium and 17 ERM irrigation projects are running behind schedule, resulting in time and cost overruns. The main factors responsible for time and cost overruns of irrigation projects are rise in prices during construction, limited investigations at the time of project preparation and consequent changes in scope and design of the project during implementation, inadequate provision for infrastructural facilities, land acquisition, rehabilitation and resettlement, environmental safeguards etc., non-availability of adequate funds, labour trouble, public protest, contractual problem etc.

(c) To ensure accrual of benefits from investment, the strategy adopted in the VIII Five Year Plan is to attach top most priority to completion of ongoing projects which have made significant progress in implementation. The Planning Commission has started strict earmarking of outlays to important projects so that the projects are not starved of funds.

मध्य प्रदेश में लघु सिंचाई परियोजनाएं

2409. श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव : क्या जल संसाधन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :